BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 4, 2004

IN RE:)	
COMPLAINT OF BEN LOMAND COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AGAINST CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS)	DOCKET NO. 02-01221
COMPANY OF TENNESSEE, LLC D/B/A FRONTIER) '	
COMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESSEE)	

ORDER APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before Chairman Deborah Taylor Tate, Director Pat Miller and Director Sara Kyle of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on January 26, 2004, for consideration of the *Joint Motion to Appoint Hearing Officer* filed on January 13, 2004.

During the January 26, 2004 Authority Conference, the panel voted unanimously to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or his designee to act as the Hearing Officer in this matter to make findings of fact and conclusions of law, as necessary, and to render an initial decision on the merits of the Complaint of Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. Against Citizens Communications Company of Tennessee, LLC d/b/a Frontier Communications of Tennessee ("Complaint"), pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-5-301 and 65-2-111 and such other legal authority as may be provided by law.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Authority's General Counsel or his designee is appointed Hearing Officer in this matter to make findings of fact and conclusions of law, as necessary, and to render an initial

decision on the merits of the *Complaint*, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-5-301 and 65-2-111 and such other legal authority as may be provided by law.

Deborah Taylor Aate, Chairman

Pat Miller, Director

Sara Kyle, Director